

# NEWS

## Sanctuary Supported Living purchases new services from Accent Group

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Sanctuary Supported Living has worked with Accent Group to secure the purchase of nearly 300 supported housing units.

The deal, which was completed yesterday (15 March), will see Sanctuary take ownership of 284 supported housing units located largely in the North West, North East, Yorkshire and the Humber.

The portfolio comprises schemes providing varying levels of support to a range of client groups including homeless people, young people, domestic abuse victims, and people with learning disabilities and mental health needs.

Sara Keetley, Operations Director – Sanctuary Supported Living, commented: “We continue to identify opportunities to grow our supported housing portfolio which will allow us to serve more vulnerable people and make a positive difference to their lives.

“We look forward to welcoming our new colleagues into our team.”

Sanctuary Supported Living already owns a portfolio of agency managed supported housing services and a portfolio of its own directly managed homes that support more than 6,500 people across the country every year.

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Craig Moule, Sanctuary Group Chief Executive, added: “We believe passionately in the value of supported housing and this acquisition for Sanctuary further underlines our commitment to supporting as many vulnerable people as possible across the country.”

Claire Stone, Executive Director of Customer Experience for Accent Group, said: “We want to make sure our supported housing service can offer our residents the quality of service they have a right to expect. This is why, over the last couple of years, we have been looking closely at our service to see how we could both improve and safeguard its future.

“We are very experienced in providing a supported housing service, but we do not offer as many homes and services as some other associations do. This means that it has become more difficult for us to provide that quality of service our residents deserve in comparison to larger, more specialist organisations with more access to funding and services, like Sanctuary. We feel that transferring ownership to Sanctuary really is in the best interests of our residents and their future care and services.”

